

AN INVASION EXPECTED ON THE SOUTH COAST
[1ST SEPT]

are believed to be intended against the Isle of
Wight or one of
the seaports of Sussex All armour, furmtuie,
munitions and
weapons in those parts are forthwith to be put in
readiness, and
upon the first notice or discovery of their arrival
the forces shall
immediately assemble to repulse the enemy,
beacon watches
also to be renewed and diligently kept

yd September THE DEATH OF ROBERT GREENE
Robert Greene, author of plays, poems and
pamphlets, is
dead, having lain sick for a month of a surfeit
which he had taken
with drinking, and though he continually scoured,
yet his body
continued to swell upward until it swelled him at
the heart and
in his face All this time he hath continued most
patient and
penitent, with tears forsaking the world,
renouncing oaths and
desiring forgiveness of God and men for all his
offences, so
that throughout his sickness he was never heard to
sweai, lave or
blaspheme the name of God as he was accustomed
to do befoie,
but he was continuously calling on God even until
he gave up
the ghost, to the great comfort of his well willers
to see how
mightily the grace of God worked in him It is
noted that his
sickness did not so greatly weaken him, for he
walked to his
chair and back again the night before he died
About nine o'clock last night as he lay in bed a
friend of his
told him that his wife sent her commendations,
whereat he
greatly rejoiced, and, confessing that he had
mightily wronged
her, wished that he could see her before he died
But, feeling
that his time was short, he took pen and ink and
wrote her this
letter

* SWEET WIFE,

As ever there was any good will or
friendship between
me and thee, see this bearer (my host) satisfied
of his debt I

owe him ten pound, and but for him I had
perished in the
streets Forget and forgive my wrongs done unto
thee, and
Almighty God have mercy on my soul Farewell,
till we meet
in heaven, for on earth thou shalt never see me
more This
2nd of September, 1592

Written by thy dying husband,

ROBLRT GREENE

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